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Dear Ms. Lee

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, attached please find the first page of the Appendix to the claims. If this is the incorrect page or if you need any additional information, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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APPENDIX 1: CLAIMS

1. A panel assembly for a modular office furniture system, the panel assembly comprising:
 - a rigid frame assembly having a plurality of support brackets attached thereto;
 - a plurality of individual facing panel members having a front side, a mounting side, a top portion and a bottom portion, the mounting side including means for individually mounting each of said plurality of facing panel members to said support brackets such that individual unobstructed cavities are formed between the rigid frame assembly and each of said plurality of facing panels; and
 - a crown member attached to a top portion of the rigid frame assembly, the crown member adapted to mount thereon office furniture accessories.
2. The panel assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the rigid frame assembly comprises a plurality of vertical supports having opposing sides and a pair of bottom facing panels, each of said bottom facing panels attached to each of said opposing sides whereby a box beam structure is fabricated to form the rigid frame assembly.
6. The panel assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the mounting side of said facing panels further comprises a first panel mounting clip attached to the top portion of the mounting side and a second panel mounting clip attached to the bottom portion of the mounting side.
7. The panel assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein each of said plurality of support brackets further comprises top support brackets, bottom support brackets and intermediate support brackets.